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Good morning Dr. Nance,

Following up on our letters requesting that EPA weigh in on the need for a Supplemental EIS and your site visit to Port Lavaca regarding the Matagorda Bay Dredging Project, I am attaching a recent report by Jan Hasselman of Earthjustice and Pete Erickson of the Stockholm Environmental Institute about calculating the climate implications of proposed fossil fuel projects under NEPA (here is also a blog post about it: <https://earthjustice.org/from-the-experts/2022-may/inside-the-climate-test>). I remember climate review under NEPA was a topic that you highlighted at the March site visit.

I hope this is useful to you in both evaluating this dredging project/expansion of a crude export terminal as well as other fossil fuel infrastructure. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions about this or any of the previous letters we sent.

Best,
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Dear Dr. Nance,

Thank you again for taking the time to visit the site and meet with community members about the Matagorda Bay dredging project this week.

Attached are the following set of letters and reports we have sent the Army Corps and EPA demonstrating the need for a Supplemental EIS on this project in case you do not have all of them (several were sent before you started as Regional Administrator):

- October 26, 2021 Letter Requesting SEIS
- November 11, 2021 Letter regarding the Corps' Sampling Plan for Mercury
- November 19, 2021 One Page Letter to Administrator Regan during Journey to Justice Tour
- December 10, 2021 Follow-up Letter with 3 Expert Reports
 - Peter Erickson, Stockholm Environmental Institute – Report about greenhouse gas emissions
 - Goodman Group – Report about increase in crude oil exports compared to EIS
 - Nuka Research – Report about impacts of vessel traffic to oil spill risks
- February 16, 2022 Follow-up Letter with additional Expert Report
 - Dr. Jessica Dutton - Expert Report on Mercury impacts of dredging

We appreciate your prompt attention to this given the quick timeline for the dredging to begin on this project. Please don't hesitate to let me know if we can provide any additional information, including any of the exhibits cited in the letters above.

Best,
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